

[Yes on Proposition 20 Ballot Arguments]

Proposition 20 will put an end to legislators drawing election districts for their friends in Congress - districts that virtually guarantee Members of Congress get reelected even when they don't listen to voters.

Proposition 20 will create fair congressional districts that make our congressional representatives more accountable to voters and make it easier to vote them out of office when they don't do their jobs.

Proposition 20 simply extends the redistricting reforms voters passed in 2008 (Prop. 11) so the voter-approved independent Citizens Redistricting Commission, instead of politicians, draws California congressional districts in addition to drawing state legislative districts.

The Commission is already being organized to draw fair districts. Visit the official state site to see preparations for the Citizens Redistricting Commission's redistricting in 2011 ([www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov](http://www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov)).

Proposition 20 will:

- Create fair congressional districts.
- Help make our congressional representatives more accountable and responsive to voters.
- Make it easier to vote Members of Congress out of office if they're not doing their jobs.

## YES ON PROPOSITION 20: STOP THE BACKROOM DEALS

Right now, legislators and their paid consultants draw districts behind closed doors to guarantee their friends in Congress are reelected. Sacramento politicians pick the voters for their friends in Congress, rather than voters choosing who will represent them.

The Los Angeles Times and Orange County Register revealed that in the last redistricting, 32 Members of Congress and other politicians paid one political consultant over ONE MILLION dollars to draw district boundaries to guarantee their reelection!

Proposition 20 puts an end to backroom deals by ensuring redistricting is completely open to the public and transparent. Proposition 20 means no secret meetings or payments are allowed and politicians can't divide communities just to get the political outcome they want.

## YES ON PROPOSITION 20: HOLD POLITICIANS ACCOUNTABLE

When politicians are guaranteed reelection, they have little incentive to work together to solve the serious problems we all face.

Proposition 20 will create fair districts so politicians will actually have to work for our votes and respond to voter needs.

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*"When voters can finally hold politicians accountable, politicians will have to quit playing games and work to address the serious challenges Californians face." Ruben Guerra, Latin Business Association*

The choice is simple:

GOOD GOVERNMENT GROUPS ASK YOU TO VOTE "YES" ON PROPOSITION 20 to force politicians to compete in fair districts so we can hold them accountable.

POLITICIANS WANT YOU TO VOTE "NO" ON PROPOSITION 20 so they can stifle voters' voices so we can't hold them accountable.

It's time we stand up to the politicians and special interests and extend voter-approved redistricting reforms to include Congress.

Voters already created the Commission – it's common sense to have the Commission draw congressional as well as legislative districts.

*"People from every walk of life support Proposition 20 to send a message to politicians that it's time to put voters in charge and get California back on track." Joni Low, Asian Business Association of San Diego*

JOIN US IN VOTING YES ON PROPOSITION 20.

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